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PROHIBITORY ORDER ON PROCESSIONS & MEETINGS IN MADRAS & MALABAR

MADRAS, Dec. 16.

A Vellore message says: The District Magistrate, Vellore, has issued an order to-day refusing permission for the holding of the North Arcot District Prohibition Conference convened on December 17 and to be opened by Mr. C. Rajagopalachari.—A. P.

MADRAS POLICE CHIEF'S ORDER

MADRAS, Dec. 16.

The Commissioner of Police, Madras, has passed an order "prohibiting the taking part in or holding of all public processions, meeting or assemblies in furtherence of the aims of the Indian National Congress and their programme of Civil Disobedience in the City of Madras."

The order has been issued in exercise of the powers delegated to him by the Provincial Government (Public Department) under Rule 56 of the Defence of India Rules.—A. P.

Ban In Malabar

CALICUT, Dec. 16.

The District Magistrate, Malabar, has issued an order under the Defence of India Rules prohibiting the holding of any public meeting, procession or assembly throughout the district in the name of Grama Seva Sangh and the National Students' Organisation.—A. P.

MISSIONARY'S SUPPORT TO "C. R."

HOSUR, Dec. 16.

Mr. N. Samuel, Pastor, London Mission, Hosur, in a communication addressed to Mr. C. Rajagopalachari on behalf of the Little Group of Christians, Hosur, says: "We, Christians, hereby express our heartfelt sympathies for the efforts against the withdrawal of prohibition. We pray that these endeavours may be crowned with success and a progressive step taken by the Government of Madras in making the whole of the Presidency dry."—United Press.

'WAR GUILT' TRIAL AT KHARKOV

MOSCOW, Dec. 16.

The Moscow Radio reporting to-day the first war guilt trials of the war which are being held to-day in the ruined city of Kharkov named German officers among the accused all of whom were stated to have pleaded guilty. Hundreds of workers and Red Army men, many of them bearing signs of suffering, watched as the accused pleaded guilty. The Moscow Radio declared that investigation has already established the responsibility of the German High Command and of the German Government in deaths by suffocation, shooting, burning and torture of 30,000 Soviet citizens in Kharkov and the Kharkov region. The accused are three Germans and one Russian. Captain Wilhelm Langheld one of the accused admitted having systematically tortured Russian prisoners, in order to draw from them military secrets. He stated that this was the common practice in the German army. He also admitted having set "Hounds on Groups" of defenceless prisoners. The accused at trials are:— Corporal Retzlav Reinhardt, of the 560 Group of German Secret Field Police; Captain Wilhelm Langheld of the German Military Counter Espionage; Hans Ritz second in Command of Company of S. S. Special Command troops and Michel Bulanov Chauffeur of the Kharkov Special Command, a Russian. Hitler's anxiety because the existence of a "gas killing lorry" had become known was revealed during the trial. Lieutenant-General von Alvensleben Head of the German Police, reprimanded the local Commissars in Hitler's name, because material concerning the lorry had fallen into Russian hands, according to a witness named Heinisch. Hitler was "extremely anxious", the General told the Commissars.

The Soviet writer Zazlavsky in his report of the trial said: "The first accused German Captain Wilhelm Langfeld, admitted that he had tortured or killed about one hundred people. He told how he beat to death one innocent young woman, while her child was looking on".

The Act of Accusation reads: "The three accused during 1941 to 1943 tookdirect part in a mass and brutal extermination of peaceful Soviet citizens by means of specially equipped lorries called Dusha Gupkas (soul-killers) and are also accused of taking part in mass shootings, hangings burnings, plunderings and mockery of the Soviet people". The Act of Accusation says that over 30,000 Soviet citizens were murdered in Zharkov and Kharkov Province.

Cherkassy Operations

Russian forces are to-day in the outskirts of the important junction of Smyela, 16 miles south-west of Cherkassy, while von Manstein's panzer attacks in the Kiev Bulge have been fought to a stalemate. Smyela is the key to German communications in this sector of the Dnieper bend. The swift Russian drive following the capture of Cherkassy is a serious blow at the huge pear-shaped area on the west bank of the Dnieper. The whole area between river Tasmin and the Dnieper is now either clear or will be cleared very soon. Any Germans still left north of the Tasmin are reduced to stragglers and fugitives. The Cherkassy operation is now revealed as one of the boldest and most skillful of the present campaign creating an outflanking threat to German positions south of the city and disrupting the Middle and Lower Dnieper fronts.

Three Russian forces are to-day threatening Smyela, vital rail junction in the Dnieper Bend. Two prongs are closing in on the town from north and east, while at the same time another force advancing from the south is threatening to cut the railway line behind the town. The Germans are reported to have brought up reserves, including Rumanians from Odessa in order to save the rapidly worsening situation on their Dnieper Bend front.

PESHAWAR: A Frontier Muslim Chamber of Commerce has been formed at a representative meeting of Muslim merchants. Khwaja Abdulazir and Khwaja Mohd. Yusuf were elected President and General Secretary respectively.

Alert In Calcutta

No Incidents Reported: All-Clear After 45 Minutes

CALCUTTA, Dec. 16.

A report issued by Combined Headquarters, Eastern India, states that an alert was sounded in Calcutta at 11-45 a.m on December 16.

The all-clear signal was given three-quarters of an hour later. No incidents have been reported.—A.P.

AIR RAID SHELTERS IN CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, Dec. 16.

The Government of Bengal have, it is learnt, issued instructions to the Calcutta Improvement Trust to recondition the covered and surface air raid shelters constructed by the Trust, which are mostly in North Calcutta.

The trust have so far dug 1,16,652 ft. of slit trenches, and constructed 29 protected verandah shelters, 30 circular shelters and 272 parabolic masonry shelters. These shelters, it is estimated, will accommodate about 1,00,000 persons.

Shelters in other parts of the city have been constructed by the Public Works Department of the Government of Bengal, and they are also being attended to.—A. P.

Five-Storeyed Building On Fire

CALCUTTA, Dec. 16.

A five-storeyed building in Burra Bazar area caught fire this afternoon. A large number of offices of Marwari cloth merchants are accommodated in the building where there are some godowns also containing bales of gunny.

Six fire engines attended the fire, and extinguished it after 45 minutes, but not until some damage had been caused to the offices and the bales of gunny contained in the godowns. Shutters of adjoining buildings were scorched by the fire, which was, however, prevented from spreading by the timely intervention of the fire engines.

The cause and the damage are not known.—A. P.

Address Presented To Madhavanandji

BOMBAY, Thursday.

His Holiness Swami Madhavanandji of Ramakrishna Mission was presented with an address at a public meeting held this evening at Sunderbai Hall.

The Rt. Hon. Dr M. R. Jayakar presided.

Dr. Jayakar said that he welcomed Swamiji on behalf of the citizens of Bombay. He said that Swamiji was well-known scholar and a servant of humanity.

The Swamiji was presented with an address in silver casket.

Madame Sophia Wadia and others spoke eulogising Swamiji's services and wishing him success in his work.

An address was also presented to him, praising the efforts of the Ramakrishna Mission in giving succour and relief to the distressed in Bengal. Many spoke on the occasion, prominent among them being Madame Sophia Wadia and Mr. M. D. Bhatt, Municipal Commissioner. Music was provided by Mrs. Frenny Cama and party.

Swami Madhavananda In Bombay

During his short stay in Bombay Swami Madhavananda has to act up to the following programme:—

(1) 17th December, Friday:—Visit to Ramakrishna Mission Students' Home and attend to the visitors both in the morning and evening.

(2) 18th December, Saturday:—Public lecture in "Yoga Dharma" at Vanamali Hall, Dadar at 5-30 p.m.

(3) 19th December, Sunday:—Public lecture at Ramakrishna Mission Library Hall on "Sanatan Dharma", at 5-30 p.m.

(4) 20th December, Monday:—Leaves for Poona.

(5) 21st December, Tuesday:—Comes back from Poona in the evening.

(6) 22nd December, Wednesday:—Leaves for Calcutta by Magpur Mail.

PAVING WAY FOR COAL RATIONING

Government To Appropriate Purchase Monopoly

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Dec. 16.

The Government of India, I learn, will, shortly after taking powers compel the coal-mine-owners to sell coal to Government only.

Government in its turn will distribute coal according to rationing plan or supply coal to public through licenced dealers.

The black market in coal, it is believed, is the reason for Government taking this measure. It is alleged that some mine-owners are often able to evade priority orders and have been selling coal in black market. Some Industries, it is further alleged have been able to accumulate coal far in excess of their quotas or monthly requirements and to the detriment of undertakings such as gas and electricity concerns. The Government are taking stringent action against railwaymen, who have helped the mine-owners to evade the priority orders.

Savarkar Down With Bronchitis

AMRITSAR, Dec. 16.

The reception Committee of the Silver Jubilee Session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha received the following telegram this afternoon from Mr. Savarkar's secretary:

Mr. Savarkar is still confined to bed owing to a keen attack of bronchitis. The temperature rises upto 102 degrees. Inspite of careful medical treatment, there is no appreciable improvement in his health. Doctors have advised him not to risk a journey to Amritsar, where the cold is very severe during this season.

On receipt of this telegram the General Secretary of the Reception Committee, Mr. Keshub Chander, has telegraphically requested Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerji to reach Amritsar on the 25th instant so that in case Mr. Savarkar is finally unable to come Dr. Mookerji may be taken out in the Presidential procession.

CEYLON REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND MAHASABHA SESSION

Sir D. B. Jayatilakam, representative of the Ceylon Government in India will attend the Hindu Sabha Session and is reaching Amritsar on the 26th instant.

Dr. N. B. Khare, member of the Viceroy's Executive Council is expected to arrive here on December 25.—A. P.

KASTURBA'S RELEASE

Amery Leaves It To Wavell

LONDON, Dec. 16.

The Labour Member Mr. Sorensen asked the Secretary of State for India, Mr. Amery in the Commons today. "Whether he has any report on the health of Mrs. Gandhi and whether as in the case of other women detainees, who have been released on the grounds of ill-health, Mrs. Gandhi is likely to be released from detention."

Mr. Amery replied:— "Mrs. Gandhi who has been subject to heart attacks for some time had two severe heart attacks at the end of November. Since then she has had one further slight attack but although weak is reported to be better. The Government of India some time ago considered her release on the grounds of health, but formed the view to which they still hold that it would be Mrs. Gandhi's own interest to remain where she is, with one of the most eminent heart specialists in India living on the premises and able to attend her at any time."

Mr. Sorensen:— "May I ask whether she has had the opportunity and option of leaving if she so desires?"

Mr. Amery:— "The question of leaving was considered and she has been allowed to see relatives, but following medical advice, it is considered that she is most securely situated where she is."

Mr. Sorensen:— "While appreciating thoroughly all that is being done for Mrs. Gandhi, may I take it that if medical advisers or she herself wishes that she should leave incarceration, permission will be given to her to do so?"

Mr. Amery:— "I must leave that to the Government of India."

BONUS AND DEARNESS ALLOWANCE

Ahmedabad Protest Against Govt. Action

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 16.

The Ahmedabad Millowners' Association has issued a circular to all the Mills suspending the payment of Dearness Allowances payable to the workers on the 15th of this month, in view of the Government of India's proposals to have a limit on the amount paid as bonus and dearness allowance in so far as such amount is reckoned for the purpose of computing Excess Profit Tax.

An emergent meeting of the representative Board of the Textile Labour Association called to-night passed a resolution protesting against the contemplated action of Government and stating that "it will have very serious repercussions in the industry."

Mr. Khandubhai Desai M.L.A. (Bombay) Secretary of the Textile Labour Association has issued a statement urging both the employers and the Government to desist from the contemplated action and advising the workers to remain calm and not to take any precipitous action which might harm their interests.—A. P.

Allied Raid On Brenner Pass

Innsbruck Gets First Bombing Of War

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Allied (Headquarters North Africa): Over 300 Allied planes carried out yesterday's raid on the Brenner Pass.

8th Army's Progress

To-day's 'communique' says: The Eighth Army has made further progress in the vicinity of Orsogna.

Berardi Captured

Reuter's special correspondent at Allied Headquarters, North Africa cables that the Eighth Army has reached the Ortona—Orsogna Road in three places with tanks co-operation in advance. Berardi two miles south of Ortona has been captured.

INNSBRUCK BOMBED

"Flying Fortresses" crossed into Tyrol for the first time to give Innsbruck its first bombing of the war. Railway yards were covered with high explosives. The Blitz was extended to other points on the Brenner route by the attacks on the railway yards at Bolzano and the Avisio Viaduct. In the industrial life of Innsbruck engineering works and textile factories hold the first place. Near the town is an aerodrome and a large number of hydro-electric power works.

Innsbruck, which is the capital of the Austrian Province of Tyrol, is an important railway centre on the main route from Italy to South Germany through the Brenner Pass and Munich.

MORE PRISONERS CAPTURED

Many more prisoners were captured after bitter fighting at Berardi. In addition to these, Indian troops on the central sector have captured an additional 65 Germans. Since the start of Sangro battle on November 27, the Eighth Army have captured nearly 2,000 prisoners. Intense fighting continues along the whole 15-mile sector from Ortona to Guadriagele.

The Fifth Army have captured an important hill post just south-west of Castel San Vincenzo, six miles south of Alfadena. Just below the Rome Road an Allied patrol surprised a German force and killed or wounded 16.

U. S. AIR ATTACK ON GERMANY

LONDON, Dec. 16: It is officially announced that United States heavy bombers attacked north-west Germany in daylight to-day.—Reuter.

Nazi Bases In Greece Blasted

LONDON, Dec. 15.

An armada of more than 300 bombers and fighters has paralysed German bases in the Athens area of Greece within the last 24 hours, says a message from Reuter's special correspondent at the Allied Headquarters in North Africa.—Reuter.

MORAL BASIS OF STATE LOTTERY

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Commenting on Government of India's decision to launch State lottery, "News Chronicle's" city editor writes: This is an interesting break on precedent. This move adds one more chapter to the history of Government of India's attempts to deal the problem of inflation. Decision on moral grounds is likely to lead to keen controversy. All arguments which have been used and used successfully to prevent the issue of premium bonds in Britain are of equal applicability to India but on grounds of expediency there is a great deal to be said in favour of this move. The financial position in India is wholly abnormal and cries out for sharp and urgent remedial measures if inflation is to be carried to further lengths.

Rumours Of Princess Elizabeth's Engagement Denied

LONDON, Dec. 15

"I have reliable authority for saying that there is absolutely no truth in the rumours which have circulated in London for some time and have now been published in the Americas that the engagement of Princess Elizabeth to a young British Peer will be announced on her 18th birthday next April", says Reuter's Special Correspondent.

"It has always been understood that the Princess will be left free to choose the man of her heart when the time comes but that time is not yet. In any case, it is understood that there is no possibility of a Royal engagement during the war.

"The two peers mentioned as candidates for the Princess's hand are not in fact very likely choices. One, the 24-year-old Duke of Rutland has, I believe, met the Princess perhaps half a dozen times in all and is far from being an intimate friend of hers.

"The other, the 24-year-old Earl of Euston is the son and heir of the Duke of Grafton and a descendant of King Charles II. He is serving as Aide-de-Camp on the staff of Lord Wavell, Viceroy of India, and is not likely to come home again for two years at least.

"He certainly has met and danced with Princess Elizabeth several times while he was stationed with his regiment near the Princess's country home. But 30 or 40 other young officers of the guards can claim the same privilege."—Reuter.

Some Improvement In Churchill's Health

LONDON, Dec. 16.

It is officially announced that there is some improvement in the Prime Minister Mr. Churchill's condition.

A bulletin from the Prime Minister's residence, 10 Downing Street, tonight (Thursday) says: "The Prime Minister has had a good night. There is some improvement in his general condition".

The bulletin is signed by the same three doctors as the one issued earlier in the day.—Reuter.

AMERY ON PRINCES' STATUS

Tributes To Their Loyalty To British Commonwealth

LONDON, December 16.

A tribute to Indian Princes was paid by the Secretary of State for India Mr. Leopold Amery speaking last night at a dinner for members of the Baroda squadron of the Royal Air Force. The squadron is endowed by the Maharaja Gaekwad of Baroda and the dinner was provided out of a sum of £500 presented by him this year as last year for the benefit of the squadron. Mr. Amery said that it was difficult to overestimate the importance of the part that the Princes of India had played and were playing and were bound to play in future in the life of the great sub-continent. Their position had been made secure by alliance and treaties and agreements freely entered into and observed with mutual loyalty and good faith on both sides. They were loyal to the conception of the British Commonwealth because they believed it guaranteed their own status and security and welfare of India.

BASE OF NEW OPERATIONS

They were also animated by that sense of personal loyalty which might be old fashioned and mediaeval but which was still very real thing in life of India in the minds of distinguished men who ruled the Indian States. "India" continued Mr. Amery, "is now the base for those future operations which I hope may dispose of the Japanese menace as effectively as we shall no doubt dispose of the German menace here at home.

After that we look forward and I believe not without reasonable confidence to India finding herself after the war, coming together with all her different elements, Hindu, Muslim and Princes and finding in better days of peace those compromises and mutual adjustments which will enable them to agree upon a constitution under which India can launch herself out safely upon the waters of freedom and equality with this country and all the great countries of the world."—Reuter.

U. S. Troops Land At Arawe

Allied Headquarters, South-west Pacific, Dec. 16.

American troops have landed at Arawe. They went ashore in landing craft yesterday, after a naval bombardment.

SYDNEY: The end of the current phase of the campaign in Huon Peninsula in New Guinea, where the Australians are driving the Japanese to the north is in sight, said frontline dispatches received here to-day. The Japanese effort has degenerated from organised defence into a fragmentary network of resistance points, it was stated.—Reuter.

Direct Hit On Jap Cruiser

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Allied Headquarters south-west Pacific. A record load of 356 tons of bombs was dropped on Arawe, New Britain, says the official report from Gen. MacArthur's headquarters today. Admiral William F. Halsey's planes dropped 134 tons of bombs on airfields and depots on Bougainville island. United States heavy bombers scored direct hits on a Japanese cruiser off Kavieng, New Ireland.—Reuter.

Russian Winter Offensive

ZURICH, December 15.

German military circles believe that Russians have begun their great winter offensive between Nevel and Leningrad, according to a report telephoned from Berlin tonight to the "Coorriere Del Ticino."

"Activity is intensifying hourly," the report added.

BRITAIN'S PRIME MINISTER LAID UP WITH COLD

Churchill Develops Patch Of Pneumonia But No Immediate Cause For Alarm

LONDON, Dec. 16.

Mr. Attlee announced in the House of Commons that Mr. Churchill is in bed with cold, "A patch of pneumonia has now developed in the left lung". His general condition is as satisfactory as can be expected".

The bulletin from No. 10, Downing Street is signed by Mr. Churchill's personal Physician and two distinguished Army Doctors in Middle East which makes it clear that the Premier is still abroad.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM

Political circles in close touch with Mr. Churchill do not immediate cause for alarm and it is expected that to-morrow's bulletin may allay any more extreme feelings of anxiety.

BULLETIN FROM DOWNING STREET

The announcement that Mr. Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, is ill was made in the Commons to-day by the Deputy Prime Minister Mr. Attlee.

He said that the following bulletin about the Prime Minister's health was being issued from No. 10, Downing Street: "The Prime Minister has been in bed for some days with a cold. A patch of pneumonia has now developed in the left lung. His general condition is as satisfactory as can be expected." The bulletin was signed by the Prime Minister's doctors. Mr. Attlee said that further bulletins would be issued daily.

Before quoting the bulletin on Mr. Churchill's illness Mr. Attlee said that Mr. Eden had informed the House on Tuesday on his return from Cairo, that he had left the Prime Minister in good health though perhaps a little tired.

"I have to inform the House", said Mr. Attlee, that the following bulletin is about to be issued from No. 10, Downing Street:

'The Prime Minister has been in bed for some days with a cold. A patch of pneumonia has now developed in the left lung. His general condition is as satisfactory as can be expected.'

Signed Moran, (Mr. Churchill's Physician), D. Evan Bedford, (Brigadier), R. J. V. Fulvertaft (Lt.-Col.).

Further bulletins will be issued daily.

The House will be sorry to learn of the Prime Minister's indisposition and I am sure it will be the desire of all us that we should send our best wishes to him for a complete and speedy recovery. I may add that highly qualified specialists are in attendance.

Signed By Mid East Medicos

The House will observe that the bulletin is signed not only by Lord Moran but also by Brigadier Bedford and Lt.-Col. Fulvertaft, who are Consultant Physician and Director of Pathology respectively, to the Middle East Forces.

I can assure the House that every modern facility is available on the spot."

SHOCK TO LONDON

The announcement that Mr. Winston Churchill has a patch of pneumonia in one lung as an unexpected shock to London and was prominently displayed in evening newspapers. It is just 16 days since the Prime Minister celebrated his 69th birthday.

It is the second time within a few months that Mr. Churchill has developed pneumonia.

The previous time the fact was disclosed after his original illness had been announced.

STILL ABROAD

The signatures on today's bulletin from No. 10, Downing Street (including those of two distinguished army doctors) make it clear that the Premier is still abroad. Lord Moran is Mr. Churchill's personal Physician and has normally travelled with him on his trips. Before he became a peer he was Sir Charles Wilson.

On Tuesday Mr. Eden had told the Commons that Mr. Churchill had asked him to express his regret to the House for not being present to give an account of the recent three big conferences. There was still important work for him to do in the sphere where he now was, and he was sure the House would wish him to see that work through to the end.

HIS PREVIOUS ATTACK

Last January Mr. Churchill had a heavy cold and on February 24 it was mentioned for the first time in Bulletins that he had developed pneumonia. Four days later a final bulletin that he was getting up and his condition was improving daily.

The Premier is accompanied in his present 10,000-mile trip by his daughter Sarah, who is in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force and is married to Vic Oliver, the comedian.

Churchill News Depresses Market

Mr. Churchill has exceptional powers of physical endurance and unusual faculty for quick recovery. The phenomenal energy which he has displayed throughout the three years and more during which he has led the nation, is the most convincing indication of his remarkable touchness.

Lord Moran is the President of the Royal College of Physicians. Brigadier Davis Evan Bedford is a heart specialist and editor of the "British Heart Journal".

Reuter's Lobby correspondent says: In view of the recent strain which the Premier has undergone, members of Parliament were to-day expressing anxiety. It has not been disclosed when symptoms of pneumonia were first evident, and the period of crisis common to the illness cannot, therefore, be forecast at the moment. When he left England for his recent series of conferences the Premier had a bad cold and a touch of laryngitis. It is understood that the treatment he then had including injections, temporarily raised his temperature but produced improvement.

The immediate effect of the news of Mr. Churchill's illness in the city was the appearance of a generally depressed atmosphere on the London Stock Exchange. British Government securities were marked down one-sixteenth. As this is the smallest permissible fraction, the price movement may be regarded as a token response to the general atmosphere.—Reuter.

Penicillin For Churchill?

It is understood that supplies of Penicillin are available, should the Prime Minister require them. Penicillin is even more effective than M and B 693 in some cases of this kind.

ALL-INDIA BADMINTON Some Interesting Matches On Thursday

Some very interesting matches were seen in the All-India Badminton Championships at the Bombay Gymkhana on Thursday. The following are the results:—

MEN'S SINGLES: G. Lewis (Punjab) beat L. Pereira (Bombay) 15—9, 15—1. Gur Pershad (Punjab) beat V. A. Madgavkar (Bengal) 17—14, 15—10.

MEN'S DOUBLES: Ashok and Prakash (Punjab) beat C. Gommes and G. D. Patwardhan (Bombay) 18—10, 11—15, 15—3. Charanjit and S. L. Jaini (Delhi) beat K. R. Lotwalla and V. N. Iyer (Bombay) 8—15, 15—9, 15—12. R. N. Kanga and K. M. Rangnekar (Bombay) beat E. J. Carvalho and H. Ferreira (Bombay) 11—15, 15—11, 15—8. G. Lewis and Lavindar (Punjab) beat B. C. Dutt and Gur Pershad 15—5, 15—8.

WOMEN'S SINGLES: Miss T. Deodhar (Bombay) beat Miss P. Anand (Punjab) 11—4, 11—3. Miss Sunder Deodhar (Bombay) beat Miss Mumtaz Chinoy (Bombay) 11—4, 12—10.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES: Mrs. Lewis and Miss P. Anand (Punjab) beat Miss M. R. Vimadalal and Miss A. R. Vimadalal (Bombay) 15—6, 15—7. Miss Chitale and Miss Chinoy beat Mrs. Malhotra and Miss Suman Deodhar 15—7, 15—6.

MIXED DOUBLES: Mrs. Malhotra and D. G. Mugwe beat Miss T. Deodhar and Ashok 15—10, 15—11. Miss Sunder Deodhar and Bakash beat Miss P. Anand and Gur Pershad 15—6, 15—4. Miss Chitale and V. N. Iyer beat Miss M. R. Vimadalal and V. A. Madgavkar 15—10, 15—4.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MARCH)

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.

Previous Closing	19.63
To-day's Opening	19.63
Difference	Nil
To-day's Closing	19.57
Difference	—.06

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:

General Motors dol. 50-1/8

Anaconda Copper Mining dol 24-1/4.

U. S. Steel Common dol. 50-3/4

U. S. Steel Pref. unquoted.—Reuter

Unstamped Cloth

No Extension Of Time For Its Disposal

Hydari On Decisions Of Provincial Representatives Conference

A statement that there would be no extension of period to dispose of unstamped cloth except for the few specified varieties was made by Mr. M. S. A. Hydari, Secretary, Department of Civil Supplies and Industries Government of India, at a Press Conference, on Thursday.

He stated that as a result of a conference, in this connection, attended by representatives of all Provincial Government and some of the important States, proposals for setting up of a certain type of machinery and principles governing it, were agreed upon. The conference which commenced on Wednesday concluded on Thursday. He did not want to give out further information regarding the machinery and principles governing, because they should be first communicated to Provincial Government.

PROBLEM OF UNDISPOSED OF CLOTH

The scheme to deal with huge undisposed of cloth, would be made public in a few days.

There were certain factors which tended to reduce the prices of piecegoods, namely the manufacture of standard cloth, fixing of ceiling prices and large stocks of unstamped, undisposed of cloth. He thought that it should be a matter of joy to the people, if they were enabled to go in for cloth other than standard cloth, if prices were attractive.

Extension of time-limit was only in the case of such goods as dorias, mosquito-netting etc., as specified by the Government. He stated that there would be no time-limit for other varieties. There was also no question of exporting more than the normal quantity of cloth. Usually about 6,000 million yards of cloth were annually exported from India.

SCARCITY OF DRUGS

Regarding the question of drugs, he observed that substantial imports were coming into the country. He admitted that there was scarcity regarding certain drugs. Government was trying to tide over the difficulty. He pointed out that the control order had come into operation even before the date fixed for the issue of licences, namely January 15, 1944. He thought that the threat of cancellation of licenses for failure to implement the control order would have a salutary effect on the traders.

Mr. Hydari also referred to the assistance given by the Advisory Committee which had its first meeting on Thursday. It was composed of two representatives of importers, two from manufacturers, two from doctors and one from Government. The Committee revises the schedule of prices and add more articles to the controlled list which at prsent covers 800 drugs. He was of the opinion that the schedule should be constantly revised and should have constant additions.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Dec. 16.

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A Swaraj Government means a Government established by the free joint will of Hindus, Mussalmans and others.

—MAHATMA GANDHI.

The Bombay Chronicle

YOUTHS AND FREEDOM

It was quite natural for Sir Homi Mody to dwell on several political issues of the day in his Convocation address to the Nagpur University. All the world including India is fighting for political freedom and that subject cannot be eschewed at present from an address to graduates going out of the University to enter the field of active service of the country. Sir Homi feared that "our entire concentration on the attainment of self-government had necessarily created a somewhat narrow national outlook' but he hastened to add that "to the extent that freedom must be our first objective there is no reason to quarrel with it." We would go further and say that Indians concentration on the attainment of freedom has in no way narrowed their outlook on the questions of world peace and world freedom. It is rather those who in the name of world peace and international obligations seek to perpetuate their Empires that develop a narrow outlook and threaten world peace.

Sir Homi is rather enigmatic when he observes that "democracy, however much we may prize it, is not necessarily the last word in political wisdom, and human progress can be achieved under widely different political systems." No system of Government has been or will ever be the last word in political wisdom. There can be no end to progress or the adaptation of machinery of Government to ever-changing circumstances. But democracy must continue to be our ideal till something else is proved to be better still. What probably Sir Homi means is that parliamentary system of government, such as has been developed in Britain and is being developed in India, is not necessarily the best that political science can devise. But in this case, too, what we have been building up must continue to be cherished and developed till a better system is proved to be better fitted to Indian conditions.

Sir Homi, however, was quite right when he stressed the need of communal unity in working any form of democratic system of government. "If it is true', he said, "that the fragmentation of India would seriously jeopardize her prospects of emergence some day as one of the Great Powers, it is equally true that no political framework which was unacceptable to any large section of the population would have a chance of being set up or maintained. Harmony between the various races which inhabit this geographical unit, known for centuries as Hindustan, thus becomes the most compelling task before us all." We share his hope that the youth of the country will apply themselves to it "with evangelic fervour.' But he might have spared his jibe 'at the eternal wrangles of the politicians of the day." Many of the politicians have dedicated their lives to the hard task of building up communal unity, not resting content with preaching platitudes. The Congress, for instance, has always sought to avoid, on the one hand, the fragmentation of India and, on the other, forcing any political framework on any large section of the population. Sir Homi is surely not unaware of the forces that now make even amicable negotiations with Congress impossible. However, it is undeniable that much can be done even outside the Congress in promoting communal unity. And we feel confident that the youth of the country will not lag behind in playing their part in achieving this great task.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Significant Revelation

In a despatch from the Fifth Army front, Reuter's Special Correspondent makes a very interesting revelation regarding the present state of German morale. "About 70 per cent of the German prisoners taken in Italy still believe," he says, "in Hitler's ability to crush the combined might of the United Nations." Even the rest do not necessarily believe in Germany's defeat; they are just tired and indifferent. Moreover, German airmen particularly are "still proud and even arrogant. They still assert that they are masters of the skies and that a gigantic German air force is being built up to deliver the final blow at democracy." All this is, of course, nonsense. But the important fact which it emphasises is that, despite defeats, which cannot be concealed, in Russia, Africa and Italy and despite the devastation, which can be still less concealed, that Anglo-American air forces have spread over Germany, the fighting morale of the Germans should remain so strong. It shows that while Nazi Germany is certainly doomed, she is not going to crack or yield easily.

More Speculations

Mr. Ray Brock of the "New York Times" has decided now to be more specific. "Within a hundred days", he asserts, "Turkey will be at war with Nazi Germany—this is my own conviction and that of most of the war correspondents who know the Turkish Army, the Government and the Turkish people." This is even more exciting. But, unfortunately, Reuter's correspondent at Ankara, evidently an ignorant person, reports that "the impression gained after last night's three-hour meeting (of the People's Party) is that Turkey, although ideologically encamped with the democracies, is not about to participate actively in military operations."

A Daring Adventure

What her commander has just disclosed of the daring adventure of the U. S. aircraft carrier "Saratoga", constitutes very encouraging news, indeed. With an American Task Force built around her the "Saratoga" has played a decisive part in recent successes in the Solomons and the Gilberts and in forcing the Japs to abandon Rabaul as a naval and air base of even considerable strength. All these are important achievements But the most significant triumph is that the Task Force patrolled close to Truk, Japan's "Malta" in the Central Pacific and yet the Jap fleet did not venture out to accept the challenge. Two possible conclusions emerge from the experience of the "Saratoga", in view of the fact that Truk is their greatest and most vital base outside home waters and that they should be extremely sensitive about any threat to it. The first is, according to some suggestions, that since the turn of the tide in south and Central Pacific and the fall of Kiska, the Japs have withdrawn their battle fleet in order to meet any threat to the Japanese mainland. The second and even more encouraging is the positive proof it affords of the fact that the Japanese are now nervously on the defensive.

"Ultra Vires" Again

One more provision of the Defence of India Rules has been declared "ultra vires" of the Defence of India Act and this time the decision is given not by a High Court but by a Presidency Magistrate of Bombay. In acquitting Anaji Balkrishna Barve of the charge of possessing a prejudicial document, Mr. G. A. Sabnis, Third Additional Presidency Magistrate, Girgaon, held that Section 39 (b) of the Defence of India Rules, under which Barve was charged, was "ultra vires" of the Defence of India Act. His argument seems to be that under the Act Government is empowered to frame rules prohibiting, among other things, the possession of information "likely to assist the enemy" and that the possession of documents which are not likely to assist the enemy cannot be prohibited by the Rules. The Magistrate deserves to be congratulated on his boldness as well as his strong sense of justice. It remains to be seen if in one way or other the question comes before the High Court and the Federal Court. If law must be different from justice let it be at least clear.

SEVEN LAKHS FROM CHINA

The Chinese people have already raised and remitted Rs. 700,000 for famine relief work in India in response to the appeal made by the Indian Famine Relief Association in Chungking.

Let's Get A Move On

"PATH OF HUMILITY IS NOT NECESSARILY THE PATH OF DISHONOUR"

(By Rt. Hon. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri)

Field-Marshal Smuts has made one speech on the future but trodden on a multitude of corns. That will be the fate of every one who ventures into that region. No problem is simple. When we are on it, it will appear the worst problem of all. India's case is as hard to tackle as any. She must concern herself not only with her own fate, but with that of others. Especially she must co-operate with China to obtain for the East and the coloured races the economic and political equality which has hitherto been denied. Her particular wants, sore and clamant as they are, are but part of the wants of this hemisphere. President Roosevelt may have a large heart, but is ignorant and cannot be bold and strong on our side. Stalin, frightened at the strangeness and complexity of Asiatic questions, will become indifferent; and small blame to him. Churchill and Amery, swollen by the caprice of Mars to demonic size, may ask and get freedom to deal with India and what she stands for, and use it without scruple to the undoing of our hopes. It won't be easy to shout them down in any case. But our chance of a hearing will be absolutely nil unless our loudest and bravest voices are raised at the right moment. So long as the most potent of these are in gaol, we have only a bleak and forbidding prospect. It is worth repeating at this point that our national liberty is so linked up with the world-order that one of the most effective means of securing it is for our spokesmen to be in evidence at the peace table and make themselves known as the champions of justice for all.

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I must likewise remind my compatriots of a force inimical to our cause which has always been there, and which has recently assumed prominence. I allude to the claim of the Dominions to pronounce their opinion on our claim to their status. The Cabinet have apparently allowed this claim, if a recent ministerial declaration in Parliament is to be accorded full weight. Mr. Lionel Curtis, once a prophet in Imperial politics, was the first to offend our ears by a blatant enunciation of it. But Montagu and Ramsay Macdonald both told me they found it necessary to consult Dominion Premiers whenever India's Dominionhood came within ken. Smuts and Hertzog, Hughes, Massey and Meighen have all given opinions,—in our favour, they assured me. The practice has perhaps hardened into a convention. We certainly know of complaints of the Dominions that they were not consulted on this and that matter of high Imperial policy, and of the apologetic plea of Britain that distance and urgency alone had been in the way. Surely, the argument is understandable, if not conclusive, that the creation of a new Dominion and its admission into what has been called a sisterhood concerns not only the eldest sister but the younger one of the family as well. When the moment for decision arrives, I do not see any Dominion unwilling to welcome the stranger. One obstacle, however, there is, and it is both real and great. The Dominions will seek to get their anti-colour attitude confirmed and placed beyond question. Smuts is our strongest antagonist, and the other Premiers will range themselves behind him. He has long been advocating the consolidation of Africa, so far as it is under the British sphere of influence, into one vast area for the prevalence of white, in this case, of Boer civilisation. He now towers high among the world's greatest men. I have no doubt he feels that his moment is come He can assume the tone and manner of a seer and solemnly abjure the clash of civilisations as the greatest menace to the peace and happiness of mankind. He once admonished me and through me social reformers in India not to oppose or weaken the caste system. An Indian authority told me the other day that he has recently mellowed in his attitude towards Indians in South Africa. If there be any truth in this statement, it can only be in favour of some petty amelioration, not in the direction of equality, co-citizenship or brotherhood. The leopard cannot change his spots. I dwell on this point so much because, if the reciprocity resolution, to which India became a party twenty-five years ago, and which gives full scope to colour and race prejudice under a specious cover of impartiality, is to be reconsidered now, it can be only by a supreme effort on the part of the Indian delegation, which must be worthy to sit alongside Chiang Kai-Shekh and his party and compel attention to the wishes of the East, long repressed but determined, on the coming occasion, to strive, to seek to find and not to yield.

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It is idle to expect this superlative service to be performed by the nominees of the Viceroy counselled by his present advisers. Only a popular Government can choose our champions. Pity it cannot be made constitutionally in time. But it can be made popular in spirit. The prerequisites may be repeated with advantage. They are release of political prisoners and detenus, general elections, the restoration of popular rule in the provinces which have lost it, and the change of personnel in the Central Government, so as to reflect the renovated nationalism in the ranks of public life. The British authorities at Westminister will lose nothing, but gain a great deal in the good opinion of the world by taking the initiative and seeing these reforms put into operation. Unfortunately they don't possess the necessary moral stature. Men of small hearts sit in high places and an infernal war has made them indurate. Idealism is gone. Grab has driven out generosity. Indian patriots may look to Britishers for sympathy in some measure, but not from the circles that count. Is it enough for us to say that the Government which put the leaders out of action must reverse its policy *Suo Motu*? Does our duty end with the fixation of responsibility on the proper shoulders? Are not our interests primarily at stake? When issues of the first order are involved, the initiative must be taken by us. The cost, material and immaterial, must not be counted with excessive nicety. Consistency is nothing, prestige is nothing. Surely it is possible to devise a form of words which will not cast on Congress leaders responsibility that they have not incurred, and which will at the same time set in the clear light of certainty their intention to help in the winning of victory. If I suggested the doing of a little wrong to do a great right, I should be doing violence to propriety. My recommendation involves no more than a relaxation of the stiffness of injured pride. The path of humility is not necessarily the path of dishonour, when the welfare of prosterity is at stake. So far as we can judge, the authorities desire to continue the *Status Quo* till the end of the war, which in effect will mean till the peace is well on its way. It is we that want a move on. It is we that must try to resolve the deadlock.

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Of course problems of urgency like the food situation in Bengal occupy the attention of our best men and women almost to the exclusion of other matters. This is only right. But we cannot afford to lose sight even for a time of the paramount importance of the world-effort for peace, in which we have no mean part to play. India's honour among the great nations must be worthily maintained and if possible enhanced. Nor is it to be forgotten that participation in large questions of the world will help our leaders in dealing with our particular problems with surer grasp and greater confidence and therefore with better result.

COMPLAINT AGAINST "FREE PRESS" DISMISSED

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Wadia and Mr. Justice Weston)

Hiralal R. Doctor ..... Applicant.

vs.

1. Sadanand, Editor 'Free Press Journal'
2. Purshottam Kashiram ..... Respondents.

A complaint had been filed on 2nd August in the Court of the Resident Magistrate at Bandra against the second respondent for cheating in respect of Rs. 1,000 paid to him as marriage consideration for a girl whose custodian he claimed to be at an inter-caste reformist betrothal ceremony which had been performed at the house of the present applicant and in which he was cited as a witness. On 2nd September a report was published in the "Free Press Journal" of which the first respondent was the Editor, containing a summary of that criminal complaint. The applicant alleged that it was the second respondent (the accused in cheating case) who had got this report published, and prayed that action be taken against the respondents for contempt of Court in publishing the facts of a case which was 'sub-judice' without the case having reached a hearing in Court at all.

With regard to the allegation that the publication was at the instance of the second respondent in order that the applicant should be prevented from giving evidence against him, their Lordships observed that that was a mere surmise from the fact that when they met on 21st August the second respondent had threatened to expose the applicant in the papers if he gave evidence against him in the criminal case. Their Lordships stated that there was no reported case which went to the length of laying down that the mere publication however accurate of a criminal complaint verified in open Court was contempt of Court even apart from any question of prejudice. Their Lordships found that the published summary of the complaint was substantially accurate. Mr. Justice Weston who delivered the judgment of the Bench said, that although the good taste of the publication was open to question, Their Lordships were quite unable to see how this publication could be said in any way to be likely to prejudice the criminal case and in the absence of such likelihood Their Lordships could not hold that there was any contempt of Court. Their Lordships, therefore, dismissed the petition but made no order as to costs.

Mr C. D. Vyas appeared for the applicant.

Mr C. K. Daphtary instructed by Messrs. Manchershaw B. Chothia and Co., appeared for the first respondent to oppose the application.

The second respondent appeared in person.

FINE WAR DRAMA AT METRO

Two Good Musicals At Eros And Empire

By T. V. P.

"Assignment in Brittany" at Metro is the story of heroic British Spy, played by the French actor of note, Pirre Aumont, who was a soldier in real life before France fell to the Nazis. Later he went to America and went on the stage to relive his war experiences in suitable role. He had won the 'Croix de Guerre' before he escaped from Europe.

TWO GOOD MUSICALS

"Alexander's Ragtime Band" at Eros stars Tyrone Power,, Alice Faye and Don Ameche is, besides being a grand dancing and singing picture, full of emotional touches, dramatic twists and romantic scenes. It is very good entertainment.

"What's Buzzin' Cousin", a Columbia production at New Empire features Anne Miller who is said to be the loveliest tap dancer of this generation in company of Rochester and Fredie Martin, Joe Hubbard plays the romantic lead opposite Miller. So dancing, music, laughter and love are a plenty.

EXTENSIONS AND SECOND RUNS

"Here To Hold" starring Deanna Durbin and Joseph Cotten in a fine musical drama is held over for another week at Regal.

"Road To Morocco" starring Bing Crosby and Dorothy Lamarr is being revived at Palace, "A Yank at Eton" starring Micky Rooney at Aurora and "The Edge of Darkness" starring Errol Flynn at Strand. Paradise is showing during the week "George Washington Slept Here", "Marie Antoinette" and "Waterloo Bridge" one after another.

Prohibition

During the regime of Congress Government Ministry one important and beneficial act done by them was that they introduced prohibition. They had declared drinking and selling liquor as unlawful so that the poor already ill-fed might not ruin themselves and their family by drink.

After the resignation of the Congress Ministry it is a pity to learn that the Bombay and Madras Governments have changed the policy of prohibition. It was the duty of present Government of these provinces that instead of changing this important prohibition scheme they should have made still further progress in prohibition. It is also rather strange that in provinces governed by Muslim League ministry no attention is paid towards prohibition and yet Muslims claim Pakistan. They claim that they want Pakistan in Muslim majority Provinces in order to carry out Government according to Islamic injunction. The real fact of these unfounded claim is that in these Muslim majority provinces drinking which is prohibited by Islam flourishes.

A MUSLIM.

NEW YORK: The leading Presbyterian minister in America, Dr. William Adams Brown has died aged 78. In 1930, he served on the Commission on Higher Education in India.

MADRAS WOMAN M. L. A. JAILED

55 Persons Convicted For Public Meeting In Defiance Of Ban

MADRAS, Dec. 16. For holding a public meeting on the Triplicane beach on December 3 in defiance of an order of the Police Commissioner of 55 persons, including Srimati Anjalai Ammal, M.L.A. and five other women were convicted and sentenced by the Third Presidency Magistrate to various terms of imprisonment.

Srimathi Anjalai Ammal was sentenced to four months' S.I and to pay a fine of Rs. 50 in default further two weeks' imprisonment. The other five women were sentenced each to three months' S.I and a fine of Rs. 20 in default further two weeks' imprisonment Mr. Varadarajulu Naidu who presided, and Mr Mohamed Ibrahm, who hoisted the Congress Flag were awarded four months' R.I. each and fined Rs. 50 each in default further two weeks' imprisonment. The others were sentenced to three months' R.I. and a fine of Rs. 20 each in default further two weeks' R.I.

Mr K. G. Nambiar who was also arrested in the case was not tried with this batch owing to ill health. He will be tried separately—A. P.

Allahabad Full Bench Upholds Governor-General's Powers

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 15.

A full bench of the Allahabad High Court have unanimously held that the Governor-General has power to enact Sec. II of Ordinance 14 of 1943.

The Chief Justice Mr. Justice Allsop and Mr. Justice Bajpai formed the full bench. The decision was given in connection with the case of Pandit Bali Nath, a leading Advocate of Agra detained under Rule 26 D.I.R. The question referred to the full bench was whether the Governor General had such power as to enact validly Sec. II of Ordinance 14 of 1943.

Mr. Justice Allsop pronouncing judgment, observed that the Governor-General's powers were derived from Sec. 72 as set out in schedule 9 of the Government of India Act 1935. The provisions thereof as amended are :—

The Governor-General may in cases of emergency make and promulgate ordinances for the peace and good Government of British India or any part thereof and any ordinance so made shall have the like force of law and act passed by the Indian Legislature.

Holding Sec. II of Ordinance 14 of 1943 to have been validly enacted by the Governor-General, His Lordship, Mr. Justice Allsop said the Ordinance is an independent piece of legislation and its effect, is that the law in future will be ascertainable from the Act and Ordinance read in conjunction and as such Sec. II of Ordinance 14 is valid.—A. P.

MADRAS: Messers. Gangu Setty and Gangamma of Cudappah now being stationed in Tanjore Jail have been ordered to be released.

HYDERABAD RELEASES

HYDERABAD, (Dn.): Five Congress detenus including Swami Ramanand Tirth who were detained under the Defence of Hyderabad Rules were released today from Jail.—Orient Press.

Paunor Case Appeal

(From Our Correspondent)

NAGPUR, (By Mail).

Appeals hafe been filed in the Paunor Sabotage case by Advocates Badkas and Adhikari in the Nagpur High Court on Dec 14. It is reported that Sjt. K M. Munshi will argue the appeal on behalf of all the accused.

SENTENCE REDUCED

In the appeals filed on behalf of Niranjansingh Thakur, Chairman, District Council, Narsinghpur, and Dr. Ramsingh Gour against their conviction under Sec. 225 (b) I.P.C for escaping from the Central Jail, Nagpur, the 3rd additional Sessions Judge Mr. S. A. Pande upheld the convictions holding that the detention under D.I.R. 26 was valid, being 'intra vires' of the powers of the Governor-General, but reduced the sentences from 6 months to 4 months each

"CAPITOL BOMB CASE"

(From Our Correspondent.)

POONA, Dec. 14.

Mr. Y. M. Dongre, a prosecution witness in the "Capitol Bomb Case" turned 'hostile', and retracted his deposition in the committing Magistrate's Court and his earlier confession before the additional city Magistrate.

Previous to Mr. Dongre's examination, Mr. K. F. Nariman, the Defence Counsel, raised an objection that Mr. Dongre being a co-conspirator in this offence, according to his own admission, his evidence should not be recorded unless he was given a pardon or the charge against him was withdrawn. The Court offered a conditional pardon to Mr. Dongre, to regularise the procedure, and he accepted it. After Mr. Dongre's deposition was over his statement in the lower court was admitted in evidence by the Court, under section 288 Criminal P. Code.

In this statement, Mr. Dongre had stated that he managed to secure about a dozen detonators from two supervisors in the Government depots and handed them to Mr. B. V. Chavan, who is accused No. 1 in the present case.

The case is proceeding in the Court of Mr. M. S. Patil, Additional Sessions' Judge, Poona Mr. G. V. Gupte, Public Prosecutor appears for the Crown, Mr. K. F. Nariman, along with Mr G. H. Karmarkar and other local pleaders defends the accused.

SURAT BOMB CASE JUDGMENT SEQUEL

SURAT, Dec. 15.

Two persons in connection with Surat Bomb case have been sentenced to five years' rigorous imprisonment each under the Explosive Substances Act and the rest fifteen were acquitted by the Sessions Judge.

One out of these fifteen is sick while another one disappeared from the Court after the judgment was delivered. Remaining thirteen were rearrested under the Defence of India Rules.—United Press.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

The setting up of a United Nations Commission, with London as its centre and Sir Cecil Hurst as President, for the investigation of war crimes, marks an important step in preparations for bringing to book the arch-enemies of human freedom and peaceful progress. If the crimes perpetrated by the Axis Powers in the course of the present war go unpunished it will be difficult to retain one's faith in the future of humanity or the reality of civilisation.

—The "Times of India

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Addressing a Rotary meeting, Sir John Colville referred to the strange experience involved in the fact that having been associated with Parliamentary Government for fourteen years he was now governing under the authority vested in him under Section 93 of the Government of India Act.

His Excellency need not feel uncomfortable. Let him remember—we are sure he does—that he is now east of Suez. And all will be well, as it is.

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According to the Government of India via Lord Munster, "it would be in Mrs. Gandhi's own interests to remain where she is with one of the most eminent heart specialists in India living on the premises and able to attend to her at any time."

Lord Munster didn't mention the name or how the specialist is there lest he might annoy Sir Reginald Maxwell if not actually strike a blow at the defence and security of India.

And Lord Munster was right too. It wouldn't have done to publicise the fact that the specialist in question is the detenu Dr. M. D. Gilder. He evidently saw, for instance, the headline possibilities in America of "Most Eminent Indian Heart Specialist a Prisoner of the British" and so on.

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Says a Delhi announcement: "Officers and men in India who served in North Africa will soon be able to wear the New Africa Star."

As a tribute, of course, to their services to the cause of South African, British and French—democracy, freedom, etc., etc.

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Reuter's special correspondent has discovered that about 70 per cent of the German prisoners in Italy still believe in Hitler's ability to crush the combined effort of the United Nations.

This is, of course, a tribute to the system of official propaganda reinforced by censorship, etc. But—well, we shan't go into details direct or comparative.

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TURKEY AND CAIRO TALKS

Headline.

Had not the continued daily reference to Turkey and Cairo talks better be postponed until after Christmas at any rate? The Turks may no longer be superstitious, but they are certainly and quite rightly sensitive.

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TO-DAY

Hindu : Magsar Vad 6, 2000
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Parsi: Tir 14, 1313
Sunrise : 8-7 a.m. Sunset : 7-3 p.m.
Hightide : 3-12, 15-12, Lowtide : 9-30 20-44

Domestic Occurrence

DEATH

BATLIWALLA—FRAMROZ CAWASJI (of J. Framroz and Co., Chief Sugar Broker of Ralli's Husband of Najamai and Father of Dina Jal Desai Son-in-law of Dr. Mancherji J Mistry, Brother of Mr. Nusserwanji and late Messrs. Byramji and Hormusji, late Mrs. Mithibai F Minwalla, late Mrs. Cooverbai Nusserwanji Gazdar and late Mrs. Khurshedbai Ardeshir Screwwalla and Mrs Mehra M Treasurewalla and Mrs Tehmina Pestonji Gagrat expired on 16th morning Uthamana Ceremony at Dadyseth House, 25 Waudby Road, Fort, at 4-45 (N.S.T.) to-day.

To-day's Engagements

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION : There will be no further meeting of the Corporation this month unless exigencies of business require a meeting to be called, in which case due notice will be given to councillors.

TECHNOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION : Mr. S M Mehta, on "Textile Chemistry from Businessman's Point of View" today at 5-15 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Department of Chemical Technology, University of Bombay.

SIX MONTHS OF TEXTILE CONTROL : Mr. M K Vellodi, I C S., Textile Commissioner, will broadcast from Bombay at 8-45 p.m. on "Six Months of Textile Control".

PUBLIC LECTURE : Mr. Padam S M Godrez on "Gazing at the Principal Stars and Identifying the Constellations by the Naked Eye" terrace of Bombay Mutual Building, Hornby Road at 7-15 p.m.

DR DASTUR DHALLA'S LECTURE : At 6-30 p.m. at Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall on "Change of Heart Needed for New Order of Things in this Country." Mr. M R Masani, Mayor, will preside.

WOMEN'S MEETING : Under the auspices of the Jt. Committee of all the women's organisations North Bombay, there will be a public meeting of women at 4 p.m. at Deshmukh Hall, Brahmanwada, Matunga, to demand price control on milk, cheap and dry coal and fair distribution of kerosene. Mrs. Tarabai Modar will preside.

BAR COUNCIL ELECTION : Voting for the election to fill three vacancies in the Bar Council will be held in the High Court from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. (S.T.)

NEW D. O. M. S : Out of eleven candidates who appeared at the D.O. M.S. Examination held in December, 1943, the following three have passed :—Ramniklal Ramjibhai Doshi, Mohammad Abid Faruqui and Manilal Gordhandas Patel

CHITRODA YUVAK MANDAL : At the meeting of the Chitroda Yuvak Mandal held on Dec. 4, the following office-bearers were elected for the current year :—

Mr. Shantilal A. Bhatt, President; Mr. Karunashanker H. Vyas, Vice-President; Mr. Natvarlal J. Bhatt, Gen. Secretary; Mr Pravinchandra V Bhatt, Jt. Secretary; Mr. Shantilal R. Jani, Cashier; Mr. Ramshanker N Pandya, Hon. Auditor; Mr. Kripashanker H. Jani, Mr. Jethashanker M. Vyas and Mr. Ramshanker M. Vyas Members.

Gokhale Education Society To Celebrate Silver Jubilee

The Silver Jubilee celebrations of the Gokhale Education Society's Parel High School and R. M. Bhatt High School, are coming off on December 18, 1943. The Schools completed their 25 years on September 2 and July 26, 1943 respectively.

The Society has got up a nice programme of cinema shows, dramatic performances by pupils, sports, elocution and singing competitions, "Health and Food" exhibition, meetings of past and present students and an address by Prof. D. K. Karve, B. A., founder of the Indian Women's University. The celebrations beginning on Saturday, December 18, will last till December 26, 1943.

Bombay v. Maharashtra

The second round match between Bombay and Maharashtra in the Cricket Championship of India will be staged at the Brabourne Stadium commencing on December 31.

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CITY MARKETS

Bombay, Dec. 16.

SHARES : The local Share Bazar was quiet to-day with scattered selling. There was utter absence of any buying and with a restricted turnover prices are moving in a zig-zag way. Outside business is greatly reduced and local operators are taking more interest in Bullion and Cotton

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, Dec. 16.

Tata Steel Ord (389/8) 390 89 88 88/8 86 87 88 87/8 88 88/8, Tata Steel Dfds (1912/8) 1912/8 17/8 2/8 5 1885 93/12 92 98/12 95 98 1902/8 1/4, Dyeing (1913/12) 1917/8 22 20 16 7/8 11 18 17 21 20 27/8, Century (970) 971 74 69 70 66 68 71 68 75 79 77, Kohinoor (611) 612 13 11 12 9 10 14, Swadesh (586) 586 87 86 83 88, Nagpur (449/8) 450 50/8 49 47 48 50/8, Simplex (276) 277 74 77, New Great (426) 427 28 26 27, Tram (143/8) 145 43/8 44/8 43/12 44, Cement (227) 227 27/12 26/12 28 27/8 28.

Markets: In view of approaching Holidays the market is likely to remain uninteresting and long interest is being gradually liquidated. The main trend appears to be downward. Tata Steel Dfd. Shares were quoted at Rs. 1,890 and Ordinary Shares were placed at Rs. 387-8. Bombay Dyeings were done at Rs. 1,915 but Century Shares were steady at Rs. 967. Kohinoors were neglected at Rs. 610.

Later on there was slightly increased demand for cotton Mill shares and the market closed barely steady.

BULLION : Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar Sterling Cross Rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London Spot and Forward Silver Quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d. and New York Spot Silver was quoted at 44-3/4 cents. The local market was fairly steady as buying by prominent Marwari operators in Silver which opened at Rs. 110-8 and advanced to Rs. 112-8 and later steadied at Rs. 112. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 115. Gold opened at Rs. 69 and after advancing to Rs. 70 steadied at Rs. 69-8. Ready Gold was placed at Rs. 71-12. Tone was steady.

Later on there was moderate selling and the market was quiet. Quotations Ready Silver Rs. 114-4, delivery Rs. 111-4. Ready Gold Rs. 71-6 delivery Rs. 68-14, Sovereigns Rs. 49-8.

COTTON ; The local market was quiet to-day with increased selling. January opened at Rs. 469 and improved to Rs. 470-8 but under renewed selling prices declined to Rs. 467. Recent buyers are liquidating their holdings and the tendency seems to be downward.

Prices after declining to Rs. 466 improved to Rs. 468. The market closed at 4 p.m. as under :

I C C January Rs. 467-4, I C C March Rs. 464-4, I C C May Rs. 466-8.

COTTON PARITY : Indian Cotton Contract January is below New York January 145 cent points at Exchange Rate 331.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Dec. 14.

I C C January high 472, low 468, close 469, I C C March high 470/8, low 466, close 466, I C C May high 472, low 467/8, close 468.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Dec. 15.

December 19.64+06, January 19.56+08, March 19.63+08, May 19.42+08, July 19.21+08, October 19.02+10, March highest 19.63+08, (2-58 p.m.) lowest 19.51—04 (10 a.m.) Middling Spot 29.48+08.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Dec. 15.

December 19.58+10, January 19.76+14, March 19.78+12, May 19.61+14, July 19.40+13, October 19.03+10, Middling Spot 19.59+13.

NEW YORK COTTON, NOON CALL

New York, Dec. 15.

December 19.55, March 19.55, May

Chinchkhari School Prize distribution took place under the presidentship of Mr B. P. Patel, I C S., Collector of Ratnagiri on last Sunday.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

In a fictitious interview with Melwyn Douglas, Mr. Douglas revealed that though the Sari was the world's most beautiful dress, time was the essence of his short stay in India and the Sari was usually five to six yards long. Mr. Douglas further revealed that he was struck by the personality of Devika Rani and he preferred to be thus struck than by a bomb or a shell. Asked who in his opinion were the few people he had met who were sure to make a hit (or bit, according to a 'Chronicle' report) in Hollywood. Mr. Douglas mentioned the name of Mr. M. R. A. Baig. "Mr. Baig", Mr. Douglas said, "was ideally suited to play the part of Sheriff in some of our Wild West stories. Mr. D. R. D. Wadia would be the tops in publicity, judging what he did with ISHARA and Dewan Sherar can write a drunken scene like no other."

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"The only picture with an Indian background which I have seen is 'ELEPHANT BOY', which starred Sabu, but in years to come we hope to see a picture with more grown-ups and I feel sure that some of the elephants I have met in Society here would do well in my country."

* * *

Mr. Douglas confessed he had not read Nehru's autobiography but then he had read the Vedas and now he had seen the Cricket Club, so he felt he had covered almost every aspect of India. "I want to study the cultural aspects of India and to understand and imbibe that greater, finer, deeper culture of the East. I feel sure that I will be able to write an authoritative book on India when I return to Hollywood." Mr. Douglas repeated, as I was about to leave him : "The Sari is still the world's most beautiful dress." Mr. Douglas, however, is not President Roosevelt's Personal Envoy to Indian women. He wanted to make that clear.

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Sir Rustom's Party To Governor

Sir Rustom P. Masani, Provincial Leader, National War Front, and Lady Masani held a garden party in the University Gardens in honour of H. E. Sir John Colville, Governor of Bombay and Lady Colville on Thursday evening. A large number of guests connected with war efforts and National War Front were invited, including Advisers to the Governor. After refreshment; H.E. the Governor and Lady Colville were taken round to introduce to the guests with whom they conversed for some time.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT

PUBLIC MEETING at 6-30 P.M. to-day at SHRI SUNDERBAI MEMORIAL HALL, next to Central Offices, Queen's Road, Bombay. Sir Cowasji Jehangir, Bart., K.C.I.E., O.B.E., will preside and Sir Victor Sassoon, Bart., Mr. A. D. Shroff and Mr. R. G. Saraiya will speak on "The Necessity of Saving in Wartime."

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5TH DAY

SATURDAY, 18TH DEC. 1943

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2nd Enclosure .. .. „ 1-4-0

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Wanted:—Matrics, Non-Matrics for sub offices establishments in Bombay Presidency. Apply The Indo Finance & Transportation Corporation, Delhi. (3529)

Wanted Qualified and experienced Radio Mechanics. Apply stating minimum salary acceptable. Cine Radio Service, 20, old Custom House Road, Bombay. (opp. Old Custom House). (3518)

Wanted B.Sc. to teach Science Mathematics. Pay according to qualifications and experience. Apply stating terms and pay desired to the President, Vidyavardhak Secondary School, Hamot, Dist. Broach. (3502)

327. AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Agents for Pure Kashmiri Wool at Rs. 12|- per lb. Pullovers Rs. 6|- each. Mufflers Rs. 5|- each Allied Traders, Lahore. (6918C)

Wanted Agents and Stockists for locks, Embossers, Nameplates. Apply Azad Company Aligarh. (3530)

191. MEDICAL ADLETS

Become Homoeopathic, Biochemic Doctors in easy terms. Details from International Institute, Aligarh. (3530A)

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651 MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

For your requirements of Wooden Packing Cases small and big rough or fine and also Tea Chest Battens, write to M|s. Sir William Roberts & Co., Shahdra Ltd., Post Box 297, Lahore. (3528)

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY NATIVE DISPENSARY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-NINTH BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING of the Donors and Subscribers of the Bombay Native Dispensary will be held at Petit Building, 355, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 17th December, 1943, at 5-0 P.M. (N.S.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the audited Balance Sheet and Report of the Managing Committee for the years 1941 and 1942.
2. To appoint a member on the Managing Committee in place of Mr. Vicajee Ardesher Taraporvala, who retires by rotation, but is eligible for re-election.
3. To appoint two Honorary Auditors for the years 1943 and 1944.

By order of the
Managing Committee,
JEHANGIR R. M. MASTER,
Secretary.
(7116)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY
CITY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the annual supplies noted below for the year 1944-45.

(1) 2 1|4" road metal about 2,000 Brass.
(2) Coarse sand about 4,500 Brass.
(3) Quarry materials such as Kerb-stones, water-tables, blue-stones etc.
(4) Bullocks and carts in A, B, C & D Wards.
(5) Bullocks and carts in E. F. & G Wards, including Bandra Slaughter houses.

The tenders will be received upto 1 P.M. (Bombay Time) on Wednesday the 29th December 1943.

Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay, enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the description of the tender.

Forms of tender, specification, etc. will be issued on payment of Rupee one each to any one deputed to receive them by the City Engineer, who will, on application, give any further information that may be required.

In case of a firm, the names of all the partners must invariably be specified in the tender.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

(Sd.) N. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.
Municipal Offices,
Bombay 15th December, 1943.
(7193)

MATRICULATES WANTED

MATRICULATES or holders of equivalent certificates are required for Training as DRAFTSMEN or SURVEYORS. No previous experience required.

Selected applicants will be enrolled into the Army and sent to a College for training, the duration of which will be 6 to 8 months.

Free accommodation and food is provided and pay at Rs. 63-0-0 per month is admissible whilst undergoing training.

On completion of training in the College, candidates will be posted to Army Training Centres as Grade III Draftsmen or Surveyors at Rs. 78|- per month rising to Rs. 123|- per month.

For full particulars apply nearest
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Ahmedabad, Belgaum, Bombay,
Poona, Khandwa or Nagpur.
(7135)

PUBLIC NOTICE

LOSS OF BOND WARRANT

THE UNDERNOTED BOND WARRANT has been LOST or MISPLACED and application has been made to the Manager, Bombay Port Trust Dock for the issue of a duplicate:—

Bond Warrant No. 6396 dated 13/12/40 issued in favour of H. &J. Premji and endorsed over to us relative to Bond No. 4226, dated 7th December 40, for 44 bags Gum Olibenam marked H. P. & Co., ex. S. S. Alavi stored in Wadi Bunder Bond No. 3 Warehouse.
3530

EMPIRE OF INDIA LIFE ASSURANCE CO., LTD. BOMBAY.

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of Policy numbered 133017 on the life of the late Dr. P. G. Gogte of Sholapur, the policy moneys will be paid to the legal representatives unless objection is lodged with the Company within one month from this date.

Bombay, 13th December, 1943.
E. E. ALLUM,
Manager.
7194

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Muslims and Anglo-Indians Candidates for appointment as Clerks in the Rs. 30-50-80|- Grade. Starting salary will take into account educational qualifications and experience. Liberal additional allowances to meet cost of living. Application forms and full particulars of service on application to THE CONTROLLER OF STORES, B. B. & C. I. Railway, Stores Department, Jacob Circle, Mahalakshmi, Bombay No. 11.
(7190)

THE RAGHUVANSHI MILLS, LIMITED.
REMINDER.

The SEVENTH EXTRA ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company shall be held at its Registered Office, 11-12, Haines Road, Mahalaxmi, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 17th December, 1943 at 3-45 P.M. (S.T.) or so soon thereafter as the business of the Annual General Meeting of the Company at 3-30 P.M. shall have been finished for the purpose of considering and if thought fit, for passing the Resolutions already notified in this paper on 3rd December, 1943 as Ordinary Resolutions.

By order,
for the Raghuvanshi Mills, Ltd.,
RAVINDRA MAGANLAL & CO., LTD.,
Managing Agents.
Bombay, 15th December, 1943.
(7186)

THE RAGHUVANSHI MILLS, LIMITED.
REMINDER.

The FOURTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at its Registered Office, 11-12, Haines Road Mahaluxmi, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 17th December, 1943 at 3-30 P. M. (S.T.) to transact the business stated in the notice published in this paper on 3rd December, 1943.

By order,
for the Raghuvanshi Mills, Ltd.,
RAVINDRA MAGANLAL & CO., LTD.,
Managing Agents.
Bombay, 15th December, 1943.
(7185)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that (1) Mrs. MARY QUITERIA, widow of John Gregory Gomes, (2) PAUL FRANCIS GOMES, (3) CATHERINE, wife of Dominic Mendonca, (4) LILY (daughter of Bernard J. Gomes) wife of John Dominic Creado and (5) Mrs. MARY QUITERIA, widow of John Gregory Gomes and Mrs. MARTHA ANGELIA GOMES holding Letters of Administration for the estate of late Mr. Bernard J. Gomes and Mrs. Jeromina, widow of Anthony Gomes holding Letters of Administration to the estate of the late Mr. Anthony Gomes all of Khar, Christian Inhabitants, have agreed to sell to my client the property hereinafter mentioned.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property or any part thereof by way of mortgage, gift, sale, trust, possession, inheritance, lease, lien, easement or otherwise, howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his Office at Prince's Avenue, Bandra, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim or demand as the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All those pieces or parcels of land or ground situate, lying and being at Bandra, South Salsette Taluka, Bombay Suburban District, Registration Sub-District Bandra, Registration District Bombay Suburban and bearing Final Plot Nos. of the Bandra Town Planning Scheme No. III with their respective areas as under:-

Plot No.	Area in Sq. yards.
140	695
156*	545
235	1170
251	1760

Dated this 15th day of December, 1943.

D. V. WAGH,
B.A., LL.B.,
Pleader for the Purchaser.
(7168)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS in candidates own handwriting are invited not later than 31st December, 1943, from qualified male candidates domiciled in Bombay Province for temporary clerical posts in Bombay City on Rs. 50-5|2-90 and in mofussil on Rs. 25-5|2-55 plus dearness allowance. Applications should show age, caste, qualifications, office experience and typing speed which should not be less than 35 words a minute.

E. G. TAYLOR,
Commissioner of Excise.
(7184)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that VISHWASRAO KRISHNARAO RELE and BHUMATIBAI, wife of Vishwasrao Krishnarao Rele, both of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have agreed to sell to our client the property hereinafter mentioned.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of mortgage, gift, sale, trust, possession, inheritance, lease, lien, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 107, Esplanade Road, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim or demand as the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece or parcel of land of the Pension and Tax tenure, containing by admeasurement 610 square yards or thereabouts but according to the Collector's Bill admeasuring 593.27 square yards and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue along with other land under Collector's Old Nos. 524, 524 and 524 Collector's New Nos. B-1-2560, A. 2560 and 1, B.A. 2560, Old Survey Nos. 549, 549 and 549 and New Survey No. 1.1A. 7751 and 1.AA-7750 and Cadastral Survey No. 2/137 of Girgaum Division together with the tenements or buildings standing thereon and assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under "D" Ward No. 993 (2) and 993 (3) and Street Nos. 12 and 13 Nickatwari Oart, all which premises are situated at and on the North side of Nickatwari Street at Girgaum in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay and are bounded, on or towards the East by the property of Saraswat Co-operative Bank Ltd., on or towards the West by a Sweeper's passage and beyond that by the property of Dr. Pandurang Gopal, on or towards the North by the house of Mr. Francis Misquita and on or towards the South by Nickatwari Oart.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1943.

RUSTAMJI & GINWALA,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
7187

AUCTION SALES

SALE WILL BE IN BOMBAY.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY AT BULSAR (B. B. & C. I. RLY.)

Under instructions from M|s Thakordas & Co., Attorneys for Mr. Ratilal Maganlal Ghandhi and ors., and on account and at the risk of Priyavadan Maneklal Oza, the mortgagor M|s. BENNETT & CO., will sell by public auction Today FRIDAY, the 17th Dec., 1943, at 4 P.M. (N.S.T) at the Auctioneer's Rooms at 120 Apollo St., Fort, the undermentioned:—

All that piece of freehold land admeasuring about 53 sq. yds. with dwelling house standing thereon, situate at Nani Metwad, Kasbe Bulsar bearing C. S. No. 3151 of the Survey Plan 54/12, Municipal Ward No. 5, House No. 9, Nani Metwad Street and bounded on the North by Plot No. 3152, on the South by public passage on the East by plots part No. 3153 and part by No. 3147, and on the West by C. S. No. 3150.

For further particulars apply to the abovementioned Solicitors or the undersigned.

BENNETT & CO.

Under instructions from the B. B. & C. I. Railway Company and in accordance with the provisions of Sections 55 and 56 of the Indian Railways Act, No. IX of 1890, MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction at the risk of the owners to-day FRIDAY, the 17th December, 1943, at 2 p.m. (S. T.) at Carnac Bridge Goods Depot booked and unbooked goods.

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLEARED CARGOES OF THE B. P. T. DOCKS.

In accordance with Sec. 94 of the Bombay Port Trust Acts of 1879 and as from time to time amended under instructions from the Manager, Bombay Port Trust Docks MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 21st December, 1943, at 2-30 p.m. at Alexandra, Docks (Sale Warehouse) Papers; Electric Goods; Cylinders; Asbestos sheets; Hoops; Tubes; Hardware; copper circles and sheets; skins; pipes: clay; wire etc.

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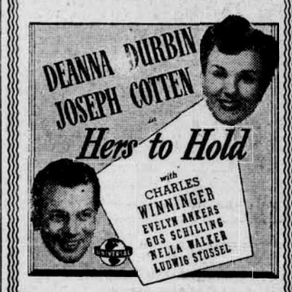

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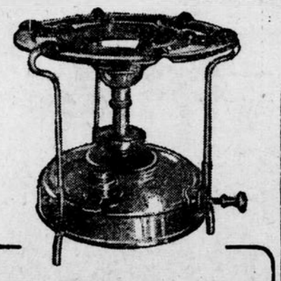
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